

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, please delete the paragraph (a single sentence containing a priority claim) that was added by instruction in item 7 of the transmittal letter dated August 8, 2000.

At page 1, line 6, please insert the following new paragraph:

Cross Reference to Related Applications. This is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/503,597, filed Feb. 10, 2000, now abandoned.